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Owner: George W. Featherstonhaugh

Date of Erection: c.1810-12.

Architect: Jacques Ramee

Builder: Built by Catherine Livingston Duane, the younger daughter
of Judge Duane.

Present Condition: Excellent (1937)

Number of Stories: Two

Materials of Construction: Frame, exterior flush siding, new metal
roof.

Other Existing Records: See Munsell's "History of Albany and Schenectady
Counties", pages 163 and 164.

Pamphlet by "Schenectady County Historical
Society", page 12.

Additional Data: The location of the mansion is such as to overlook
nearly the whole town of Duaneburg. It is large
and imposing, a piazza seventy feet in length
extends along its entire north side. The roof
over the piazza, twenty feet high, is supported by
eight massive columns, turned out of huge pine
trees. By will of Miss Duane, who had occupied the
mansion until 1852, it passed to her nephew, James
D. Featherstonhaugh, and is the last property of any
consequence in the town remaining in the possession
of descendants of Judge Duane. A stone walk connects
this house with the Gen. William North House. Many
of the most noted men of that period were entertained
here - James Madison, Henry Clay, Daniel Webster and
others.

From notes and photos submitted
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